

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearing on H.R. 3610, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act. Testimony was received from Representative Clement W. Miller and public witnesses. Hearings resume on Wednesday, April 8.

BRETTON WOODS AGREEMENTS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, waiving points of order, with 2 hours of debate on H.R. 4452, to amend the Bretton Woods Agreements Act. Witnesses heard on the granting of the rule were Representatives Spence and Kilburn.

NUCLEAR ROCKETS

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Continued hearings on the general subject of propulsion problems of the space age and heard testimony today relative to nuclear and unique methods of rocket propulsion. Public witnesses were heard and hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Heard the national commander of the Disabled American Veterans organization in a presentation of legislative recommendations.

INTERNAL REVENUE TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session to review report of the Subcommittee on Internal

Revenue Taxation and the Advisory Group on Internal Revenue Administration. No announcement was made and executive consideration continues tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings**RADIATION HAZARDS**

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Research and Development concluded its hearings on the subject of employee radiation hazards and workmen's compensation insurance, after receiving testimony from Leo Goodman, UAW, AFL-CIO; Otto F. Christenson, Council of State Manufacturers Association; Herbert Yount, representing insurance associations; W. H. McAdams, General Electric Co.; and Dr. Charles Dunham, Director of Division of Biology and Medicine, and Harold Price, Director of Division of Licensing and Regulation, both of the AEC.

Following submittal of this testimony, a round-table discussion was held on this subject, participating in which were Dr. Earl Cheit, University of California; Clint Fair, AFL-CIO; Norman Erbe, National Association of Attorneys General; Dr. Russell Morgan, U.S. Public Health Service; Herschel Plain, AEC; Ashley St. Clair, Liberty Mutual Insurance Co.; Ned Parsekian, International Association of Industrial Accident Boards & Commissions; Bruce Green, Department of Labor; W. A. McAdams; Otto F. Christenson; and Leo Goodman.

Friday, March 20, 1959

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated area redevelopment bill.

House passed Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill.

Senate**Chamber Action**

Routine Proceedings, pages 4723-4740

Bills Introduced: 14 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1477-1490; and S. Con. Res. 18-19.

Pages 4723-4724

Bill Indefinitely Postponed: Committee on Agriculture and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 1140, Wheat Stabilization Act of 1959. The bill was then indefinitely postponed. *Page 4724*

Area Redevelopment: Senate debated S. 722, to establish an effective program to alleviate conditions of

unemployment and underemployment in certain economically depressed areas.

Pages 4746-4779

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings**DURUM WHEAT**

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices, held hearings on the subject of general wheat programs, with testimony from Senators Neuberger and Curtis; and Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Marvin L. McLain, who was accompanied by his associates.

Hearings continue Monday, March 23.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works continued its hearings on proposed fiscal 1960 budget estimates for public works, with testimony from Brig. Gen. Robert G. MacDonnell, Corps of Engineers, Army, who discussed river and harbor and flood-control projects for the Central and South Pacific areas, Central Valley, the Great Basin, and the Columbia Basin; and Col. Allen F. Clark, Jr., division engineer, North Pacific division, who discussed such projects for the North Pacific Basin and the Columbia Basin.

Hearings continue Monday, March 23.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION, AND NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of J. Allen Overton, Jr., of West Virginia, to be a member of the U.S. Tariff Commission.

The committee held and concluded hearings on H.R. 5640, to extend the time during which certain individuals may continue to receive temporary unemployment compensation, with testimony favoring the bill from Newell Brown, Assistant Secretary of Labor; Otto Christenson, Minnesota Employers Association; and Leonard Calhoun, Washington, D.C. Testifying in favor of enactment of S. 1323, Temporary Unemployment Compensation Act of 1959, were Senators McNamara, Hart, Green, Clark, Randolph, Byrd of West Virginia, Williams of New Jersey, Humphrey, and Gruening; William L. Batt, Jr., representing Governor Lawrence, of Pennsylvania; Walter Reuther, president, UAW, AFL-CIO; and Max Horton, director, Michigan Employment Security Commission. Testimony was also heard from Senator Scott, who favored enactment of his bill S. 1423, to extend by 6 months the period for which additional benefits may be paid under the Temporary Unemployment Compensation Act of 1958.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Government Operations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported S. 144, to return to the REA Administrator all functions transferred from him to the Secretary of Agriculture under Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1953 (with an amendment in the nature of a substitute as recommended by its Subcommittee on Reorganization and International Organizations); with an amendment S. 899, to provide for the discontinuance of certain reports now required by law; and without amendment S. 900, to extend the authority of the GSA Administrator to pay direct expenses in connection with the utilization of excess real property, S. 901, authorizing the GSA Administrator to make contracts for custodial services for periods not exceeding 5 years, and S. 902, relating to certain procedures for receipt and disbursement of funds at the GPO.

Also, the committee authorized the filing of several committee reports, and authorized the printing as committee prints of three studies conducted by the Subcommittee on Reorganization and International Organizations relating to world health activities.

PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES

Committee on Government Operations: Committee concluded hearings on S. 910, to authorize payment to local governments of sums in lieu of taxes and special assessments with respect to certain real property. Testimony favoring enactment of the bill was heard from Senators Gruening and Keating; Patrick Healey, American Municipal Association, Washington, D.C.; and Ralph Kaul, member, Arlington County Board, Virginia.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation to permit consolidations or mergers of international telegraph and marine carriers, with testimony from John C. Doerfer, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; and Paul Goldsborough, Director for Telecommunications Policy, Office of the Secretary of Defense for Supply and Logistics, who was accompanied by his associates.

Hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

CLAYTON ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 11, to amend the Clayton Act with reference to equality of opportunity, and S. 138, to define the application of the Clayton Act and Federal Trade Commission Act to certain pricing practices, with testimony from Owen Cooper, Mississippi Chemical Co.; H. L. Stobel, Associated Farmers of California; William Spaur, Metal Products Co., Denver; Kent Moore, a gasoline distributor, Glendale, Calif.; Max Finkelstein, Max Finkelstein, Inc., Long Island City, N.Y.; Harvey Crow, National Association of Manufacturers; Frederick M. Rowe, attorney, Washington, D.C.; and Norman R. Farsje, automobile sales, Gould National Batteries, St. Paul.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Constitutional Rights Subcommittee continued its hearings on several pending civil rights proposals, having as its witnesses Senator Keating; Attorney General William P. Rogers; and Robert G. Storey, Vice Chairman, and Gordon M. Tiffany, Staff Director, both of the Civil Rights Commission.

Hearings will continue after the Easter recess.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Procurement continued its hearings with regard to difficulties encountered by small business concerns in the transaction of business with the Depart-

ment of Defense. Testimony was received from Charles E. Hastings, Hastings-Raydist Co., Hampton, Va., and representatives of the General Accounting Office.

Hearings adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 5881-5908, and 5915 and 5916; 6 private bills, H.R. 5909-5914; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 219, were introduced. **Pages 4831-4832**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1321, to amend Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1953 (Rural Electrification Administration), amended (H. Rept. 235);

H.J. Res. 300, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1964 Olympic games in the United States (H. Rept. 236);

H.R. 5915, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for fiscal year 1960 (H. Rept. 237); and

H.R. 5916, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1959 (H. Rept. 238). **Page 4831**

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: By a voice vote the House passed without amendment H.R. 5805, making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments, and the U.S. Tax Court for fiscal year 1960.

The bill provides appropriations of \$779,402,000 for the Treasury Department; \$3,847,160,000 for the Post Office Department; and \$1,535,000 for the U.S. Tax Court, or a total of \$4,628,097,000, which is \$518,339,000 above the 1959 figure and \$60,230,000 less than the budget estimates. **Pages 4804-4814**

Reserve Officers: The House by a voice vote passed H.R. 5132, relative to increase in the amount of readjustment pay payable to Reserve personnel involuntarily released from active duty. H. Res. 211, the rule under which the legislation was considered, had been adopted earlier. **Pages 4814-4822**

Vessel Loan: Adopted committee amendments and by a voice vote passed H.R. 3366, to authorize the extension of loans of naval vessels to the Government of Italy, Turkey, and the Republic of China. H. Res. 213, the open rule making in order the consideration of the bill, had been previously adopted. **Pages 4814-4815, 4822-4823**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of March 25. **Page 4823**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Committee Meetings

WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Wheat heard public witnesses in a discussion of the general wheat situation. Hearings resume on Monday, March 23.

FEED GRAIN PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Feed Grains met in executive session and considered feed grain price support legislation.

AREA REDEVELOPMENT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee No. 3 concluded hearings on H.R. 3505, area redevelopment legislation, and heard both Members of Congress and public witnesses.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY CONTROL

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Special Education continued hearings on bills relating to juvenile delinquency control. Public witnesses were heard and hearings resume on Monday, March 23.

INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Inter-American Affairs met in executive session.

NUCLEAR SUBMARINE DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Military Operations heard Vice Adm. Hyman G. Rickover, Bureau for Nuclear Propulsion, Bureau of Ships, Navy Department, with respect to management of nuclear submarine development.

FOREIGN AID TO LAOS

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations and Monetary Affairs held public hearings relative to study of foreign aid to Laos. Testimony was received from representative of the General Accounting Office and a former investigator

for the International Cooperation Administration. Hearings resume on Monday, March 23.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills:

H.R. 839, adjusting and canceling certain irrigation charges against non-Indian-owned lands under the Wapato Indian irrigation project, Washington;

H.R. 1778, to amend section 17(b) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939; and

H.R. 3335, to provide for the apportionment by the Secretary of the Interior of certain costs of the Yakima Federal reclamation project.

In a preliminary hearing witnesses heard were Representatives Aspinall on H.R. 1778, and May on H.R. 839 and H.R. 3335. Interior Department witnesses were also heard.

AMERICAN INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs resumed hearing but took no action on H.R. 1176, providing for the preparation of a membership roll of the Indians of the Yakima Reservation. Departmental witnesses were heard.

FAIR TRADE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on H.R. 1253 and related bills on fair trade. Representative Bentley and public witnesses were heard. Hearings resume on Monday, March 23.

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Heard Clarence Morse, Administrator, Maritime Administration, in a discussion of the functions and administration of that agency.

NUCLEAR ROCKETS

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Continued hearings on the general subject of propulsion problems of the space age and heard testimony today in both public and executive session relating to specific problems of hydrogen-fired rockets. Hearings resume on Monday, March 23.

INTERNAL REVENUE TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive sessions in review of the report of the Subcommittee on Internal Revenue Taxation and the Advisory Group on Internal Revenue Administration. No announcement was made and executive consideration resumes on Monday, March 23.

Joint Committee Meetings

AMERICAN ECONOMY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee began a series of hearings with regard to problems and prospects of the American economy, hearing testimony both in morning and afternoon sessions from Sumner H. Slichter, professor of economics, Harvard University.

Hearings continue Monday, March 23.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By 49 yeas to 46 nays, Senate passed area redevelopment bill.

House passed Interior Department appropriation bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4847-4864

Bills Introduced: 24 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1491-1514; and S.J. Res. 80.

Pages 4849-4850

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report of Committee on Government Operations entitled "Science Program—86th Congress" (S. Rept. 120);

S. Con. Res. 9, to extend a welcome to the Inter-American Bar Association in its 11th conference at Miami (S. Rept. 121);

Report of Committee on Government Operations entitled "Action by the 85th Congress on the Second Hoover Commission Reports" (S. Rept. 122);

S. 949, incorporating the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, with amendment (S. Rept. 123);

S. 264, 451, 201, 211, 313, 449, 461, 634, 701, 1143, and H.R. 2589, private bills (S. Repts. 124-134);